## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

## **ORDER AMENDING LOCAL RULES**

Appropriate public notice and an opportunity to comment having been given pursuant to Rule 83 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and pursuant to a majority vote of the active judges of this court,

IT IS ORDERED that the Uniform Local Rules of the United States District Courts for the Eastern, Middle and Western Districts of Louisiana are amended as follows:

## LR 5.7.08W Signatures

The user log-in and password required to submit documents to the Electronic Filing System shall be the User's signature for all purposes.

Documents requiring signatures of more than one party must be electronically filed either by: (1) submitting a scanned document containing all necessary signatures; (2) indicating the consent of the parties who did not electronically file the document. Consent may be indicated by the filer by including an "s/ and the name of the consenting attorney(s)" on the document to be filed electronically (e.g. "S/John Doe," "s/Jane Smith,"etc.). By using "s/ and another attorney's name" the filing attorney certifies that each of the other signatories has expressly agreed to the form and substance of the document and that the filing attorney has their actual authority to submit the document electronically. The filing attorney shall retain any records evidencing this concurrence for future production, if necessary, until 1 year from the expiration of all time periods for appeals. A non-filing signatory or party who disputes the authenticity of an electronically filed document containing multiple signatures or the authenticity of the signatures

themselves must file an objection to the filing of the document within 10 days from service of the document.

## LCrR32.2W Presentencing Memoranda

All presentencing memoranda shall be submitted directly to the sentencing judge within the time frame designated by the sentencing judge with simultaneous, confidential copies to all parties, including the Probation Office. Where an appeal is taken, the Probation Office shall forward the presentencing memoranda, presentence report, and addendum to the Clerk of Court for confidential submission to the Court of Appeals. The submission of a presentencing memorandum does not relieve the parties from the obligation of providing the probation officer with written objections to the presentence report within 14 days from the day of disclosure in accordance with Fed. R. Cr. P.32(b)(6)(A).

Lafayette, Louisiana, this 18th day of November, 2008.

CHIEF JUDGE RICHARD T. HAIK